

**BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 17, 2018
MINUTES**

MEETING OPENED AT 7:30 BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT OGLESBY

ALL STOOD FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE.

PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT READ INTO RECORD BY DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK CAPASSO:

“IN COMPLIANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 10:4, OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, NOTICE WAS GIVEN TO TWO NEWSPAPERS, AND POSTED, THAT A WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL IS SCHEDULED FOR THE SEVENTEENTH DAY OF MAY, 2018, WITH THE WORK SESSION TO BEGIN AT THE HOUR OF 7:30 P.M. AND THE REGULAR MEETING TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING AT THE LAKEHURST COMMUNITY CENTER, 207 CENTER STREET, LAKEHURST, NEW JERSEY, AT WHICH TIME, THE BUSINESS OF THE BOROUGH WILL BE CONDUCTED.”

ROLL CALL:

ROBIN BUSCH: ABSENT	GARY LOWE: PRESENT
JAMES DAVIS: PRESENT	ROBERT McCARTHY: PRESENT
PATRICIA HODGES: PRESENT	STEVEN OGLESBY: PRESENT
MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS: ABSENT	

WORK SESSION:

REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

Deputy Municipal Clerk Capasso reviewed regular meeting agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Time opened: 7:34 p.m.

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

Time closed: 7:34 p.m.

Councilman Lowe stated that he will be talking to Police Chief Higgins regarding the background check for a First Aid Squad applicant.

“AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION OF \$12,500 FOR THE PREPARATION OF A MASTER PLAN, AND AMENDMENTS RELATING THERETO” (#18-08)

Motion by: Gary Lowe Seconded by: Patricia Hodges
To approve consent agenda. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative with the exception of Council President Oglesby who abstained from item #2 and ordinance #18-07 as he is a member of the First Aid.

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilwoman Hodges reported that Zumba Night wasn't well attended but it is something that can be built on.

Mrs. Hodges stated the next Youth and Recreation event is the Bike Rodeo, June 2, 2018. The following event is the first of the summer movies, June 29, 2018.

Councilman Lowe asked if the Youth and Recreation had picked the movies for the summer.

Mrs. Hodges replied that Youth and Recreation has not but the movies will definitely be family orientated.

Mrs. Hodges added the personnel committee are in the process of reviewing the Lakehurst Police Association and AFSCME contracts.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Council President Oglesby reminded residents about the Town Wide Yard Sale on May 18, 2018 at 8am to 2 pm; rain date is May 19, 2018.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:41p.m.

Mark Sumner, 409 Willow Street, President of the Lakehurst Volunteer Fire Company, had asked if it would be possible to set up a meeting to go over the Lakehurst Fire Department ordinance.

Timothy Sinkowitz, 613 Poplar Street, stated that he has no problem with the Lakehurst First Aid Squad ordinance but if the council tables the Lakehurst Fire Department Ordinance would they consider tabling the First Aid ordinance. Mr. Sinkowitz would like to see if changes are made and if so, would those changes also benefit the First Aid Squad.

Motion by: Gary Lowe Seconded by: James Davis

To table Ordinance #18-06 and #18-07. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative with the exception of Council President Oglesby who abstained as he is a member of the First Aid.

Mr. Sinkowitz had asked what are the plans for the Chestnut Ball Field?

Municipal Clerk Dugan responded there is a process. First the Professional Services contract for the auction services needs to be approved, then a date can be set for an auction of the properties after which profits will be utilized. The Borough of Lakehurst and Lakehurst Board of Education will be sharing the cost of the renovations of the ball field.

Break from 7:50 p.m. to set meeting date with members of the Fire Department and First Aid. Break ended at 7:51p.m.

Time closed: 7:53 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

Deputy Municipal Clerk Capasso reads resolution to go into closed session read:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P. L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances, **and**

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lakehurst, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter.

The general nature of the subject matters to be discussed is as follows:

PERSONNEL MATTERS PENDING LITIGATION

It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion by: James Davis

Seconded by: Robert McCarthy

To approve resolution to go into closed session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Time into closed session: 7:54 p.m.

Time out of closed session: 8:15 p.m.

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Patricia Hodges

To end closed session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by: Patricia Hodges Seconded by: Gary Lowe

To adjourn meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Maryanne Capasso
Deputy Municipal Clerk